

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
WILDLIFE REHABILITATION PERMIT APPLICATION**

Your Rehabilitation Permit request **must** contain the following information:

- \* name of applicant, phone number, home address, social security number, driver's license number, date of birth, and address of animal facilities;
- \* species to be rehabilitated (e.g., native migratory birds, non-migratory birds, native mammals, native raptors);
- \* a statement of pertinent experience, education, workshops attended, availability of books, manuals, etc.;
- \* a description of facilities, including dimensions of cages and aviaries, where the animals will be housed during each stage of rehabilitation (i.e., intensive care, recovery, and conditioning) and any ancillary support facilities (e.g., facilities and resources of a veterinary clinic or zoo);
- \* a letter of recommendation from a wildlife rehabilitator or veterinarian familiar with your abilities to care for native wildlife;
- \* proof of membership in either the National Wildlife Rehabilitator's Association or the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council.

As stated above, membership in either the National Wildlife Rehabilitator's Association or the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council is a requirement for permit issuance. Contact information is listed below.

National Wildlife Rehabilitator's Association  
2625 Clearwater Rd., Suite 110  
St. Cloud, MN 56301  
(320) 230-9920  
[www.nwrawildlife.org](http://www.nwrawildlife.org)

International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council  
P.O. Box 8187  
San Jose, CA 95155  
(408) 271-2685  
[www.iwrc-online.org](http://www.iwrc-online.org)

A Federal Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit is required in addition to the State of Louisiana permit in order to care for native bird species. For information on the Federal permit contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at (404) 679-7070 or visit <http://www.fws.gov/forms/3-200-10b.pdf>

If you are housing permanently crippled (non-releasable) native wildlife for education purposes, you will need an additional permit (Special Purpose - Education) available at <http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/pdfs/license/permits/specialpurposepermit.pdf> , similar to the Federal Education permit available at <http://www.fws.gov/forms/3-200-10c.pdf>.

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) requires a list of species you will be housing, the number of individuals of each species, and a description of the facilities in which they are housed. Animals undergoing rehabilitation **should not** be subjected to public observation.

The goal of LDWF's and education policy is to maintain a high level of standards and responsibility for wildlife rehabilitators in the state, thereby protecting our natural resource as well as the public.

Attached is an application for wildlife rehabilitation permit, including a release statement **that must be read and signed** by anyone who will be issued a permit from the Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries. For further information please contact Carrie Salyers, Urban Biologist at (225) 763-3557 or via email at [csalyers@wlf.louisiana.gov](mailto:csalyers@wlf.louisiana.gov)

# APPLICATION FOR WILDLIFE REHABILITATION PERMIT

## Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

APPLICATION DATE:	NAME:	
DL #:	SSN:	DOB:
OFFICIAL TITLE/AFFILIATION: (IF APPLICABLE)		
APPLICANT'S ADDRESS:		
CITY/STATE:	ZIP CODE:	PARISH:
TELEPHONE #:	FAX #:	
SPECIES TO BE REHABILITATED:		
DESCRIPTION OF ANIMAL HOUSING AND PHYSICAL ADDRESS:		
SUBPERMITTEE(S) :		
LIST PERTINANT EXPERIENCE/EDUCATION, RESEARCH MATERIAL AVAILABILITY:		
<p>YOU MUST ATTACH A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM A LICENSED REHABILITATOR OR A VETERINARIAN THAT IS FAMILIAR WITH YOUR ABILITIES TO CARE FOR THE SPECIES YOU HAVE LISTED ABOVE. IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU UNPROCESSED.</p>		
<p>I have been advised and do understand that by applying for and accepting a permit issued by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife &amp; Fisheries, I am being allowed to engage in an activity which would otherwise be prohibited by law or for which a permit is required. I understand that the permit is not a license and confers no property right upon me. I specifically agree to abide by all State and Federal wildlife laws and regulations, and all State and Federal laws and regulations which relate to this permit or the permitted activity, and by all other terms and conditions of this permit. I understand that the permit for which I am applying may be suspended, canceled or revoked at anytime by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife &amp; Fisheries. I agree to immediately surrender the permit issued to me upon demand made upon me by any authorized employee of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife &amp; Fisheries. I understand that my failure to fully and completely comply with the laws, regulations, terms and conditions referred to herein could result in the immediate suspension, cancellation or revocation of this and other permits issued to me by the Department and that I may be denied future permits as a consequence of my actions. I understand and agree that any permit issued to me by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife &amp; Fisheries is in the nature of a privilege which is being voluntarily extended to me by the Department and the failure on my part to cooperate fully and completely with the Department or its employees can result in the loss of the privilege conferred and the denial of future requests for permits. By accepting this permit, I evidence my agreement to be bound by all conditions and stipulations set forth herein.</p>		
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:		DATE:

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE & FISHERIES  
WILDLIFE REHABILITATION PERMIT INFORMATION**

1. Permit will not exempt holder from any regulations imposed by other state, federal, parish or municipal agencies.
2. A federal Special Purpose permit is required to possess any species covered by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (List of Migratory Birds 50 CFR 10.13).
3. All permits shall expire on December 31 of the year of issue unless otherwise noted. The Department may impose time limits and other restrictions on the duration of any collection permit.
4. An annual report giving a detailed description and inventory of all individual items/species is due within 30 days following expiration of permit.
5. Information to be included in annual report:
  - a. Name and permit number of the permittee
  - b. Name and final location of each individual rehabilitated
  - c. Date(s) of rehabilitation
  - d. Reason for rehabilitation
  - e. Method of collection
  - f. Animal housing description
6. Sale of any organisms obtained under the permit or their progeny is prohibited.
7. No item obtained under the permit may be used for human consumption, unless specifically approved.
8. Permits are non-transferable but may be issued in more than one person's name.
9. No federally listed species may be obtained with this permit, unless specifically noted.
10. No S1-ranked species may be obtained with the permit, unless specifically noted.  
<http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/experience/naturalheritage/rareanimals/animalsofconservationconcern.cfm>

\*\*\*Applications that are sent to LDWF without a recommendation letter attached will be returned unprocessed\*\*\*

**RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:**

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE & FISHERIES  
WILDLIFE DIVISION  
ATTN: CARRIE SALYERS  
P.O. BOX 98000  
BATON ROUGE, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 763-3557/FAX (225) 763-5456**